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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby calls the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

An English language Abstract of Unexamined Japanese Patent Publication No. JP11-112772, which was published on April 23, 1999. The Japanese language document was cited in Information Disclosure Statement filed on August 3, 1999;

An English language Abstract of Examined Japanese Patent Publication No. JP11-88645, which was published on March 30, 1999. The Japanese language document was cited in Information Disclosure Statement filed on August 3, 1999; and

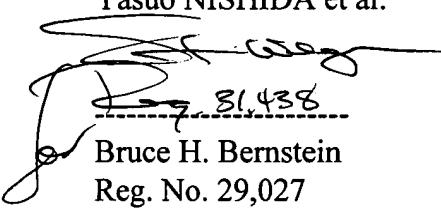
An English language Abstract of Examined Japanese Patent Publication No. JP11-127330, which was published on May 11, 1999. The Japanese language document was cited in Information Disclosure Statement filed on August 3, 1999.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider and cite these documents. Copies of the above-noted Abstracts are attached and are listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1149 Form and to return a copy of the form to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

Applicants note that an Office Action of the merits has not yet issued in the instant application. However, if an Office Action on the merits has issued, and is crossing this statement in the mail, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fee necessary for the consideration of this statement, including any payment under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p), to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed number.

Respectfully submitted,
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